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THE PERPETUAL "WAR."

Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox describes an episode of the opening of the American section of the Paris exposition of 1900, as related to her by friends who were present and saw what occurred. They had been present at the reception given by the Chinese, the Japanese, the Russians, French, German and other departments of the exposition, which were all distinguished by quiet elegance. When they presented themselves at the entrance of their own national department, they found a mob in possession. Sumptuously attired women were elbowing guards and officials away from their posts of duty and forcing their way into the reception rooms, without invitation cards. "We are Americans and a free people, and we have a right to go in," they said. And in they went. What an idea of freedom! And so often met with! When refreshments were served, a scene even more disgraceful occurred. It was an absolute onslaught, a raid of the tables. Ladies had their gowns very nearly torn from their bodies, and the people that were guilty of such disgraceful conduct in a foreign capital, the center of refinement, were not the poor laborers of America, but people of wealth and position, handsomely attired and claiming to be representative American citizens. Hundreds of them conducted themselves in that disgraceful manner.

This illustrates a trait of character that has, unfortunately, found its way into too many departments of public life. Business has become a "fight," a regular "war," in which individual competitors have been driven to form combinations and alliances for the purpose of securing advantages over one another. Politics have similarly become a "struggle" for offices, for honor, for power. Travelers over the snow-clad steppes of Siberia tell of packs of wolves that roam there in search of prey, and as soon as they find a morsel, commence fighting each other to the death, and then devour the carcasses of their slain comrades. It sometimes appears as if many of the leaders in the struggle for existence that is going on in this country, have no higher regard for the requirements of modern civilization than is exhibited by those wolves. At least their "battles" are too frequently fought without regard to truth or honor. The reason for this is apparent enough. Many who have forced themselves forward to the ranks of leaders, are men who never had the benefit of refined associations during the period of formation of their character. They have made money and have no other claim to consideration. But money-making per se is neither refining nor purifying. Sometimes the methods employed are brutalizing.

There is ample room in the public life of every country for application of the principles taught by the Master in the Sermon on the Mount, and on other occasions. And it is very doubtful whether our civilization merits the name of Christian, until it has been penetrated by those principles. It is certain that it is a force for redemption, only in so far as it applies those principles to the world it is proposed to bring into the sphere of civilization. It seems to us that the various churches of the world might have a higher relation to pursue than to persecute heretics and dissent against unpopular sects. If they would bring the spirit of Christianity to bear upon the conditions of modern society that are abnormal, to say the least, they would render mankind a great service.

TITHING CASE DISMISSAL.

The expected has happened in the sensational and somewhat celebrated tithing fund case. It has been dismissed from the docket of the district court, and that, too, at the special instance of counsel for the plaintiffs, who announced to Judge Morse that they had failed to contribute the necessary money with which to perfect an appeal to the Supreme court of the state. That they should so fail is not at all surprising to those who are familiar with the manner and purpose of the suit. Readers of the "News" will readily recall how it was instituted more than a year ago at a time when innumerable malicious and defamatory charges had been made against President Joseph F. Smith and other Authorities of the Church, and how it was hoped by the conspirators that the public animosity, more or less stirred up at the time would find effective crystallization and enforcement in the courts. The organ of assault and calumny chuckled and grinned with fiendish glee and predicted that at last it would win its fight along these lines and "that the props were about to be knocked from under the Church."

It was not the first time that the slander sheet had made a similar prediction. It has, in its own mind, been "knocking out props" for decades. But somehow the structure it would destroy never topples or falls, but continues to grow stronger with the coming and going of the years, as it ever will, no matter how vigilant or violent the opposition may become in the onslaught. The conspirators had their day in court. They were represented by able counsel. They took advantage of every technicality of the law. But they lost.

at every point. Three times demurrers filed by the defense were sustained by the court and three times did defeat and discomfiture come to the plaintiffs. Now the knockout blow has been delivered and they have retired to the privacy of the corners they are best fitted to occupy. May they get such consolation from their seconds as the like can give them and ponder over the folly of their acts, and learn to walk in better ways. The fact that they have failed, and failed miserably, is a cause for congratulation on the part of members of the Church whose interests and trust they assailed without right or honor and out of a spirit of hatred and revenge. "All is well that ends well."

FEAR OF DEATH.

One of the most prominent figures in "The Lion and the Mouse" is represented as having an unconquerable fear of death. A similar peculiarity attributes to a multi-millionaire. In his later years the fear of death haunted him constantly, like a grim specter. No one dared mention death in his presence. His secretaries carefully clipped out every reference to death from newspapers before they reached his eyes and his efforts to avoid the inevitable hour assumed the form of an acute mania. But when his appointed hour came there was no escape. He went miserably to his grave, tantalizing no ampler space than the pauper who rested not many yards away. It is said that a very rich man of today has the same abject fear of the end, so much so that when his mother died he could not be persuaded to go into her room.

The fear of death is natural to all living beings. Death is an "enemy." But there is a difference. Some fear death, only as children fear to go through a dark hall to another part of the house. Others have cause to fear. Death is to them the beginning of eternal misery. In the case of some rich men, their terror is aggravated by the accusing voice of their own conscience. They have, perhaps, obtained their wealth by many deeds of wrong-doing. Perhaps blood clings to their money. Perhaps it is stained with the tears of widows and orphans. They have, perhaps, been selfish all their lives. Like the rich man in the parable they have neglected to make "friends" by means of their "mammon," and the next world is therefore to them a dark and dreary void, into which they fear to leap. They fear the moment when they must take leave of their hoarded treasures, since they have absolutely nothing in the land beyond. To them the future is dark; there is no ray of light; only gloom and festering corruption. No wonder the fear of death has chilled the soul of so many whose only god is mammon!

It is the Christian view of the future, when fully realized, that takes away all the terror of death. According to that view, death is really no break in life. It is like crossing the sea. Old memories, old loves, still remain. New friends may be found on the other shore, but they do not displace the old ones. Those that die in the Lord and pass over the great divide are not alone. They have joined others and form a glorious company. In the language of the Scriptures, God has wiped away all tears from their faces, and there is no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, nor any more pain, for the former things have passed away. Heavenly beings are their teachers and companions. It is such views of the future that drive out fear and give light in the valley of the shadow of death.

WAGES AND PRICES.

Still the dispatches bring word of the voluntary raise of wages by managers of large corporations. The Norfolk and Western railway has granted an increase of ten per cent. to employees who receive less than \$200 a month.

At the same time, according to the statements of commercial agencies, within the last few weeks there has been a rise in the price of nearly every article of food and every other commodity that wage earners must have. Thus it would seem that the increase of wage is very nearly offset by the increased cost of living. The benefit to consumers and wage earners is therefore correspondingly reduced.

The reason why commodities rise in price at this time is not easy to comprehend. It cannot be due to natural causes. The land has yielded abundantly. There is no lack of grain. On the contrary, crops were this year more abundant than ever. The railroads have been taxed to the limit of their carrying capacity, moving the surplus of the farms to the centers of distribution. No abnormal conditions in any part of the world call for a sudden rise in the price of the necessities of life.

It is all very well to decant on "socialism" and condemn combinations of laborers, but as long as, through combinations, the cost of living can be raised almost at will, consumers will naturally endeavor to counteract the effects of the combinations that seem to operate against them, by similar means. And so we have a divided community instead of one in which all pull together for the welfare of all.

To "Americanize" the schools is to partisanize them.

In politics a "moral victory" is not unlike a Dead Sea apple.

Commander Peary's dashes for the north pole indicate no pause.

San Francisco is finding out that those who dance must pay the fiddler.

The coldest inhabitant doesn't remember such a spell of weather in years.

France considers those who take church inventories better than he that taketh a city.

Senator Culbom is very apt to find pushing tariff revision much of a Slayback task.

Captain Peary's vessel, the Roosevelt, is without coal, Salt Lakeers can sympathize with it.

The Standard bank failure has been

dramatized. If it follows the hero's fortunes it should have a long run.

Professor Lowell says that it never rains on Mars. Then there is no Oregon, Washington or Tennessee on Mars.

London has a billion-dollar debt. It simply shows the eternal fitness of things: the biggest city, the biggest debt.

It begins to look as though some of the negro troops ordered dishonorably discharged were not so black as they are painted.

The Kaiser says that he is an optimist and that he always shall be. And here everybody has been thinking for years that he was an opportunist.

Chairman Connors says that Mr. Hearst stands ready to respond to the call of his party. And no doubt the answer will be prepaid.

It is said that the Cuban Liberals are planning to have the United States establish a protectorate over Cuba. It begins to look very much as though they would get that or "something equally good."

Three New York alienists have expressed the opinion that Harry Thaw was insane when he killed Stanford White. He is wealthy enough to have any kind of an opinion that is desired expressed by alienists.

And now Secretary Root comes forward and states positively that the President will not be a candidate for re-election. That fact was established when Mr. Roosevelt made the statement immediately after his election.

"They say Multi-millionaire Simon Guggenheim, who is to be the next senator from Colorado, is a great mixer, and gives enormously to charity. Nevertheless this isn't exactly statesmanship," says the Boston Herald. No, but it is exactly politics, which goes for statesmanship these days.

Why doesn't the bold, the brave, the brazen organ of the anti-"Mormons" attack Judge Marshall for his decision in the smelter smoke cases? It was his honor and not the "News" that rendered that decision. Nor was he influenced in his opinion by anything that appeared in this paper touching the smelter smoke cases.

A San Francisco contemporary places its objection to the presence of Oriental laborers in the city on the ground that many of them are addicted to vices of a most degrading character. What about the vices of some men not of Oriental origin? Let those acquainted with the mysteries of the modern Saturnalia judge whether Orientals are ahead of some Occidentals in this respect. If a war is commenced on vice, consistency demands that it be not confined to one class.

The decision of the Supreme Court directing Judge Morse to issue a decree of divorce to Mrs. Emma K. Adreth, is of general interest. The question was whether divorce can be granted when one party to the suit can be summoned to appear, only by publication. Judge Morse held that, under a recent decision of the United States Supreme court, he had no jurisdiction because the defendant was living outside the State, had not appeared in the case, and had been summoned only through the public prints. The higher court held that where domicile of matrimony had been established, service by publication is valid and the court has jurisdiction. This interpretation of the decision of the United States Supreme court appears to be just. Under any other construction divorce on account of desertion would be virtually abolished, since the whereabouts of the deserter almost always are unknown. As long as desertion is recognized as a cause for divorce—and what greater justification for the dissolution of the marital union can be imagined?—service by publication must be regarded as valid, because in the majority of cases no other is possible.

COST OF PENSIONS.

New York Mail.
This country never has been and never will be stingy in providing for the widows and children of its defenders. But the relief list already on the rolls is a charge upon very far distant posterity. Only some 200 widows are pensioners of the war of 1812, and fewer than 5,000 of the war with Mexico. But if Mrs. Damon's case be taken as a criterion, the sum of \$69,000 widows of civil war veterans will be drawing pensions in 1930 A. D., and Spanish war widows will figure in the appropriations of the year 1923.

SAVE THE LEAVES.

Suburban Life.
Saving the leaves is as good as money in the pocket of the home gardener. If properly cared for this fall, these leaves will be valuable this spring. They contain a great deal of nitrogenous matter. In fact, a given weight of pear leaves is more than twice as valuable as the same weight of manure. Peach leaves are almost as good as those of the pear. The leaves of such trees as poplar, locust, elm or beech are all good for peat, more than equal to manure. The forests are real treasure houses for the man who is ready to go out and get them. The thousands of leaves that have heretofore gone to waste. The custom of using leaves for bedding for the horses and cattle, and so getting them mixed with the manure, is a useful and a profitable one.

A BOYCOTT ON BIBLES.

Oakland Enquirer.
The Baptist convention in session at Richmond has resolved to break off all relations with the American Bible society and boycott the Bibles published by that organization. The trouble grew out of the printing by the Baptists of Bibles for the "Asiatics" in which the Greek word "baptizein" was translated "dip." The American society contended that the translation should be "sprinkle" and refused to aid in the circulation of the Baptist Bibles, thereupon the Baptists decided to circulate only Bibles with the translation dip, which is equivalent to immerse, which the Baptists hold to be the only true form of baptism.

POLITICS IN CHINA.

Los Angeles Express.
According to advices from Peking, the Chinese are to have a semblance of "politics" as the term is understood among enlightened occidental nations. An imperial edict announces the establishment of a political council of the empire, whose duty shall be to "gather public opinion."

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Wing-And who is the funny little man I've seen walking with her?
"That? That's her husband."
"And is he an artist, too?"
"No! She just takes him along to button the back of her waists."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Excruciating.

Milly—"But she said nothing. She suffered in silence."
Tilly—"Must have been awful suffering like that for a woman."—Pick-Me-Up.

Boy Messengers.

Paris. It is stated, is to have its boy messengers. A Société des Petits Messagers is in process of formation. It is rumored that, with a poetic fancy characteristic of our neighbors, a number of the lads will be clothed as cupid, and answered solely for the conveyance of love letters.—Punch.

Strides of Science.

Doctor—"What, troubled with sleeplessness? Eat something before going to bed."
Patient—"Why, doctor, you once told me never to eat anything before going to bed."

Doctor (with dignity)—"Pooh, pooh! That was last January. Science has made enormous strides since then."—Tit Bits.

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